CHAPTER NO. 159

SENATE BILL NO. 1326

By Henry

Substituted for: House Bill No. 635

By Kisber

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, relative to information technology employees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-30-333, is amended by deleting such section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:
 - (a) For filling entry level civil engineer or entry level professional information system management positions, the commissioner may authorize the use of such other procedures as the commissioner determines to be appropriate in order to meet the needs of the service when the area is deemed to be a critical area of need. Current state employee applicants who meet the position qualifications and when all relevant qualifications are equal shall be given priority hiring consideration. All qualified applicants shall be included on the register.
 - (b) No such procedures shall discriminate against applicants on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin or political preference.

SECTION 2. The act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 30, 2001

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

NAIFEH, SPEAKER

APPROVED this 3rd day of May 2001

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